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## **Donations for Hurricane Katrina Victims**

We suggest that those who wish to donate contact the following:

## **Korean Citizens, Organizations, Local Governments:**

The Korean Government's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MOFAT) and the U.S. Embassy advise that contributions by Korean citizens be made to the Korean Red Cross.

Republic of Korea National Red Cross 32, 3ka Namsan-dong, Chung-gu Seoul, Republic of Korea

Phone: (02) 3705-3661 or (02) 3705-3662

http://www.redcross.or.kr/www/eng/introduction.jsp

Korean citizens, organizations, or local government agencies interested in making a donation may also call MOFAT's North America Division I at:

02-2100-7385

02-2100-7386

02-2100-7387.

## **Direct Donations via Embassy Seoul:**

It is recommended that both government and private donations be made directly to Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) -- see above. However recognizing that donations may not be possible for everyone at overseas locations, the Department of State has determined that it will facilitate overseas donations. If checks are received for which the payee is the American Red Cross or other NGOs involved in the relief effort, Embassy Seoul will forward them to those organizations.

For check donations directly to the Embassy on behalf of the relief organizations, the check should be made out to the U.S. Embassy, Seoul or the Department of State. Embassy Seoul can accept a check in U.S. dollars or Korean Won. Checks can be mailed to:

U.S. Embassy 32, Sejong-ro, Chongro-ku Seoul, Korea 110-710

For additional information, please contact Mr. Seth Bailey (02-397-4474) or Mr. Michael Browning (02-397-4476).

## **U.S.** Citizens

Americans may, of course, donate to any organization they chose - but the following have been suggested by State Department and other U.S. officials:

American Red Cross: U.S. Government Agencies (including the State Department) continue to suggest that donations to assist with the hurricane relief effort be made via the American Red Cross. Contributions to the Disaster Relief Fund may be sent to the American Red Cross, P. O. Box 37243, Washington, DC 20013. Internet users can make a secure online contribution via credit card by visiting:

http://store.yahoo.com/redcross-donate2/

or

https://give.redcross.org/?hurricanemasthead

<u>The Salvation Army</u>: The Salvation Army is also accepting donations to assist with the hurricane relief effort. To donate, call 0011-800-725-2769 from Korea, or visit:

http://www.salvationarmyusa.org/USNSAHome.htm

Other Organizations: You may donate directly to the organizations responsible for providing relief to the victims of Hurricane Katrina, such as the Red Cross and Salvation Army (see above). To donate or contact these organizations, internet users may wish to use one of the links given below:

http://www.bushclintonkatrinafund.org/

http://www.usafreedomcorps.gov/

http://usinfo.state.gov/gi/global\_issues/hurricane\_katrina/hurricane\_katrina\_links.html#help